FISCAL MEMORANDUM HB 620 - SB 1295

May 7, 2007

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (007843): Urges existing fire stations to submit a plan to make them "gender-friendly" if the station does not currently meet that standard. Urges stations which cannot be upgraded to such standards to make them as "gender-friendly" as possible utilizing several methods outlined in the bill.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

Increase Local Govt. Expenditures* - \$120,000/One-Time

Other Fiscal Impact – If new fire stations are built after passage of the bill that would not have been constructed in a "gender-friendly" manner in the absence of this bill, there will be an increase in local government expenditures that could reasonably be estimated to exceed \$100,000 statewide.

*Article II, Section 24 of the Tennessee Constitution provides that: no law of general application shall impose increased expenditure requirements on cities or counties unless the General Assembly shall provide that the state share in the cost.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Increase Local Govt. Expenditures - Exceeds \$100,000/Permissive

Assumption applied to amendment:

• The costs to local governments to make the changes suggested by the bill are estimated to exceed \$100,000 however any such expenditures are permissive.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

